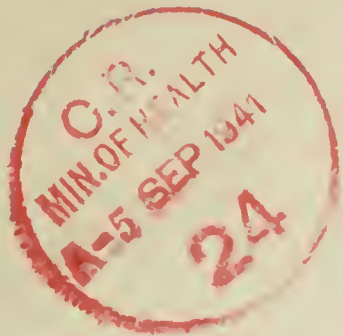
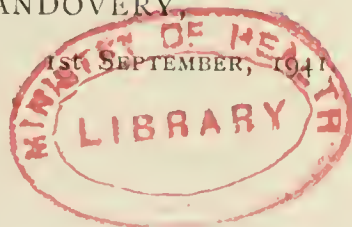




VIOLET COTTAGE,
LLANDOVERY,



To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Llandovery.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to you my Annual Report for the year ended December 31st, 1940.

Area of the District in Acres	...	...	...	...	1209
Estimated Population	...	...	...	...	1988
Number of Inhabited Houses	...	...	...	...	635
Number of Families living in separate Houses	...	...	...	...	Nil

Rateable Value ... £6556. Sum represented by a Penny Rate ... £25.

There have been no alterations of Legislation in force (local Acts, Bye-laws, etc.) since the last Survey Report. The district is purely Agricultural and immune from any smoke nuisances and is a small Country Town.

VITAL STASTISTICS.

Births and Birth Rate.

					M.	F.	
Live Births	Legitimate	...	...	...	16	9	{ Birth Rate per 1000 of the estimated resident population—9·0.
	Illegitimate	...	..	...	1	1	
Still- Births	Legitimate	...	...	...	1	1	{
	Illegitimate	...	...	...	Nil	Nil	

Deaths and Death Rate.

					M.	F.	
Deaths	...	...	...	30	12	18	Death Rate per 1000 of the estimated resident population—15·0
Deaths from Puerperal Causes :—							
					Deaths.	Rate per 1000 total (live and still Births).	
No. 29	(Registrar-General's Short List)—Puerperal Sepsis...	None.	...	...	...	Total—Nil.	
No. 30	Ditto Other Puerperal Causes...	None.	...	...	...	Total—Nil.	

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age :—

All Infants per 1000 live births	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Legitimate Infants per 1000 legitimate live births	..	...	..	...	...	Nil
Illegitimate Infants per 1000 illegitimate live births	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	...	...	...	..	...	5
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under two years of age)	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

There have been no cases of Sickness or invalidity which have been specially noteworthy in the borough during the year, neither have there been any conditions of occupations or environment which appeared to have had a prejudicial effect on health.

Zymotic Diseases.

There were fifteen Diphtheria, one Erysipelas, nineteen Whooping Cough, sixty-four Measles and one Pneumonia cases notified in the Borough, and every precaution was taken to avoid a spread of the disease, and it is gratifying to state there were no deaths from these diseases.

Diphtheria was taken well in hand. Immunisation of School Children was carried out ; some parents agreed to this, but some parents refused to allow their children to be immunised.

Meat and Food.

No action is taken with regard to Meat and other Food inspection or under the Food and Drug Act. But there is a Food Committee to see that the Regulations regarding Rationing of Food are carried out.

Factory and Workshops.

All these have been found clean and well ventilated.

Cow Sheds.

Cow Sheds in the Borough have all been inspected and show a much desired improvement.

Water Supply.

Analytical Examinations were made during the year and the service was quite satisfactory, and no chemical analysis made during the period. The Water Supply in the Borough is fairly satisfactory and the matter has received the attention of the Town Council, who have laid new and larger pipes through the Town. The new Reservoir requires placing in order, and the Council propose taking action unless the complaint is remedied by the Contractor and Engineer. The matter is in the hands of Consulting Engineers.

Drainage and Sewerage.

There has been no extension of sewerage, and no progress made in improving the character and sufficiency of the arrangements for drainage, sewage and sewerage disposal in all parts of the Borough.

Slaughter Houses.

There are 5 Slaughter Houses in the Town. On inspection all have been found clean. The Slaughter of Animals Act which has been adopted by the Town Council is proving of great service in many respects. Of course these are not in use at present.

Bakehouses.

These have been inspected and found perfectly clean, and an additional one has been completed satisfactorily.

Tuberculosis.

It is gratifying to state that there has been only one death from Tuberculosis during the year.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

This continues to do very useful work in the Town and District, and is much appreciated and found of considerable help by the mothers. The Centre is well attended and keen interest is taken by the mothers and officials. Sessions are held every fortnight, at which short Lectures are delivered by the Medical Officer of Health. Afternoon Teas are also provided by the Committee. There has been no development or change in the Maternity and Child Welfare Centre in the Borough.

Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector.

The Sanitary Inspector has made several inspections, and practically all the suggestions have been carried out after notice given to the owners. Drains are frequently disinfected, and the Cattle Market is kept clean, notwithstanding its frequent use for Marts, Fairs, and Stock Sales. The Roadways in the Market have been tar macadamised. The nature of the inspections comprised drainage ; cesspits ; slaughter houses ; bakehouses ; cowsheds ; chimneys ; troughings on houses ; loose slates on roofs and schools. House refuse is now dumped in a field situated a considerable distance from the town. The placing of offensive rubbish on the highway has been practically stopped. Caravans are not permitted to remain near dwelling houses, and gipsies found camping on Green Lodge are removed.

Housing Statistics and Conditions.

The statistics and conditions as to Housing remain the same as in the previous year. Owing to the war no additional houses have been erected in the Borough by the Council or by private enterprise.

Electricity.

Electric Light has been provided in the Borough.

Evacuees.

In consequence of the war and air raids, a large number of evacuees have arrived from various towns to the Borough. The Notre Dame School, comprising 124 pupils unaccompanied, were evacuated from Battersea and came to Llandovery, and have all been immunised. Practically an additional 70 evacuees accompanied were also sent to the Borough.

Schools.

The College, County School, Senior School and Council School have been visited and found satisfactory. No School was closed on account of infectious diseases.

Parking.

I consider that the Parking facilities for Motor Cars and Shows on the Main Street extending from the Town Hall to College House should be abolished as they obstruct the traffic, and are a nuisance to the residents. In this area there are business premises and residences of two local doctors. Space is necessary as motor cars conveying patients cannot get near the surgeries, and the doctors find it difficult to get their own cars away for the purpose of attending to their cases.

Milk and Dairies Act.

In the Borough a great deal of Milk Selling takes place. The milk is of good quality on the whole and no complaints have been made. The Cow Sheds are now kept clean as they should be. The walls white-washed oftener. The owners have kept their promise to improve matters. Steps were taken to have a Bacteriological examination of Milk, and the milk was found of good quality. There are no Tubercular persons employed in the Milk business.

Number of Retailers within the area	...	...	...	...	10
Number of Retailers outside the area	...	...	...	...	4
Number of Producers inside the area	...	...	...	...	7
Number of Producers outside and also Retailers	...	...	...	...	3

Shop Acts.

No action has been taken under the provisions of the Shop Act, 1934, regarding ventilation and temperature of Shops and Sanitary arrangements.

Cancer.

There has been no campaign against Cancer.

Tuberculosis—New Cases and Mortality during 1940.

Age Period.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	M	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
19	1	None	None	None	None		None	
20 to 35	None	None	None	None	None		None	
25 to 62	None	None	None	None	None		None	
Total	1	None	None	None	None		None	

The efficiency of Notification of Tuberculosis in the area is thorough and deserves commendation.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during year 1940.

Disease.	Age.	Total Cases Notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Diphtheria	4 to 12 and 13 to 34	Fifteen	Fifteen	None
Measles	6 to 12. 13 to 20. 21 to 32	Sixty-four	None	None
Erysipelas	70	One	None	None
Pneumonia	29	One	None	None
Whooping Cough	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10	Nineteen	None	None
Total		100	15	None

I remain,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN THOMAS PRICE, M.D.,

Medical Officer of Health for the Llandoverly Borough.

